

Export of Iron Ore from Bailadilla

4832. SHRI D. V. SINGH : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of iron ore exported from Bailadilla so far since exploitation of this reserve started in April 1968 in terms of quantity and specifications of the ore and its foreign exchange price, to each ore importing country ; and

(b) the steps taken to utilise this ore for the manufacture of steel within the country ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) 6.60 million tonnes of iron ore of 65/63% grade valued at Rs. 47.09 Crores have been exported from Bailadilla mines to Japan during the period April, 1968 to 30th November, 1970.

(b) The decision to locate a steel plant in the coastal region of Visakhapatnam based on ore availability from Bailadilla was announced by the Prime Minister in Lok Sabha on April 17, 1970. Steps to implement the decision have already been initiated at Government level.

यूरोपीय साम्राज्य बाजार में ब्रिटेन का प्रवेश

4833. श्री हृदय चन्द कछवाय : क्या वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) यूरोपीय साम्राज्य बाजार में ब्रिटेन के प्रवेश से भारत के व्यापार पर क्या प्रभाव पड़ेगा ; और

(ख) इस सम्बन्ध में भारत सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (चौधरी राम सेवक) : (क) यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय में ब्रिटेन के प्रवेश के फलस्वरूप भारत के व्यापार पर सम्भावित प्रभाव के बारे में

लोक सभा में दिनांक 4-5-67 को वाणिज्य मंत्री के वक्तव्य में (प्रतिलिपि सभा पटल पर रख दी गयी है। [पंचालय में रख दिया गया। देखिये संख्या LT-4588/70] स्पष्टीकरण किया गया था। चूंकि यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय में ब्रिटेन के प्रवेश की शर्तों के सम्बन्ध में अभी भी वार्ताएं चल रही हैं अतः भारतीय व्यापार पर पड़ने वाले उसके यथा-तथ्य प्रभावों के विषय में इतना शीघ्र अनुमान नहीं लगाया जा सकता।

(ख) भारत सरकार इन बातों से भारत के हितों के लिए यथा सम्भव श्रेष्ठ संरक्षण प्राप्त करने के भरसक प्रयत्न कर रही है।

Supply of Artificial Silk and Rayon Yarn to Small Scale Manufacturers

4834. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is general complaint of small scale manufacturers of artificial silk and rayon fabrics that they are starved of yarn by the big industrialists who have the near monopoly of yarn ; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to ensure regular and adequate supply of yarn on economic rates to small scale manufacturers particularly of Punjab ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) Government have received some representations about difficulties experienced by artificial silk weavers (including those of the Punjab).

(b) A voluntary agreement between the producers and weavers of viscose filament yarn, concluded in August, 1969 regarding prices and distribution is still in operation. Under this agreement 45% of the production of this yarn is supplied to weavers on fixed prices while 10% of the production is made available at even a lower price as replenishment against exports of textiles. A voluntary agreement is also in operation since